

Shyarecks

DUXBURY CLIPPER

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AN OLD WRECK

(The following item appeared in a newspaper in the late 1800's. -- Ed.)

WRECK ON DUXBURY BEACH

The schooner Milliard Fillmore, Capt. Chase, from Portland for Philadelphia, with cargo of shooks, went ashore at the High Pines on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. It was blowing hard at the time, but she struck on the sand beach, beating up with the tide. Capt. Chase reports losing foresail and main-

sail, gaff booms and rudder. Being unmanageable, she went to leeward. As soon as breakers were discovered, both anchors were let go, and eased her headway. The crew remained on board till morning with a heavy sea breaking around them, the tide leaving them nearly high and dry. Capt. Simon Burgess went to them in

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the sloop Rose Wood with a volunteer crew. He has the crew on board provisioning them and will probably bring them in.

It was a lonesome night, and the presence of the Bible with several religious books open on the cabin table indicated some wholesome reflections. The schooner lies broadside to the shore in the sand, with deep water just astern of her, and she appears to be in good condition. With good weather she can be easily got off. Two drunken sailors did not seem to notice the canned fruits going over the side without Custom House entry. Sacks of corn and provisions piled on the beach will not be likely to grow larger during the night unless the wreck master is more strict. A sailor half seas over with a whiskey jug at command makes a poor police officer.